4. **High Percentage of increase**

State		Metro Cities	
West Bengal	29.4	Chennai	44.7
Himachal Pradesh	28.5	Kolkata	12.7
Uttar Pradesh	28.2	Delhi	4.8

5. **High incidence per ten lakh population**

State		Metro Cities	
Tripura	306.5	Delhi	338.6
Andhra Pradesh	303.2	Chennai	141.2
Delhi UT	287.1	Mumbai	82.7

Additional funds to Orissa to control left-wing extremism

*75. SHRI B.J. PANDA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Orissa Government has asked for additional funds to strengthen its security system to control left-wing extremism;

(b) whether Government is aware that 22 out of the 30 districts in this State are affected by naxal menace; and

(c) if so, the action plan of the Centre to help the State administration to consolidate and expand its security network in the Maoist areas of operation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) In the context of Left Wing Extremism, the States of Bihar, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand and Orissa, which have been witnessing high levels of naxalite violence, have been receiving priority attention of the Central Government. Additional funds have, therefore, been sanctioned to Orissa for strengthening of its security infrastructure to deal with this problem.

(b) Keeping in view the intensity of naxal violence and activities, and the measures initiated by the State Governments to counter them, 75 naxal affected districts have been identified for reimbursement of certain types of security related expenditure to the State Governments concerned. These include 10 districts of Orissa.

(c) The Central Government supplements the efforts and resources of the State Governments in the areas of security and development. In respect of Orissa, assistance provided to the State, *inter alia,* includes deployment of 4 battalions of Central Para Military Forces, sanctioning of 5 India Reserve Battalions (of which only one has been raised so far), and assistance of Rs.45.80 crore, including an additional allocation of Rs.19.50 crore, over and above normal allocation, under scheme for Modernisation of State Police Forces, during 2007-08. Under the SRE Scheme, the State has been reimbursed Rs.12.17 crore during 2007-08.

Separately, the Central Government has decided to raise 10 Bns. of a specialised Force in the form of Commando Battalions for Resolute Action (COBRA) to deal with extremists groups such as the naxals. Of the two Battalions proposed to be raised in the current year, one is being located in Orissa.